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 comment:

a. The following installations were assumed to be stationed in the Ural MD, found in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

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77th Rifle Div, in the Sverdlovsk area
91st Rifle Div, in the Molotov area

b. The following installations were confirmed in the Ural MD

HQ Ural MD in Sverdlovsk, up to the spring of 1948
Suvorov Military School in Sverdlovsk, up to March 1948
(Reference No 10 on Annex 2).
Infantry School in Sverdlovsk up to September 1948
(Reference No 8 on Annex 2)

c. The Izhevsk officer candidate school (probably a Suvorov Military School) was reported for the first time

2 Annexes: (1) Soviet Troops in the Ural MD (list)
(2) Installations in Sverdlovsk (sketch)

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Town	Date	Source Employments	Installation	Location	Occupation	25X1X	Remarks
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Sverdlovsk (56°50' N/ 60°45' E)	1947 to June 1949	25X1X [redacted]	1. Barracks (wooden canton- ment buildings)	SE city exit, on NE side of Sibirska Trakt (see reference No 1 on Annex 2)	Tank unit served		[redacted] observed several three-story wooden barracks at the SE edge of the city in mid-1948. T34 tanks and tanks of another type were seen entering and leaving the barracks area.
			2. Barracks (two brick buildings)	Some 100 meters SE of the Tank Barracks on the same side of road (see reference No 2 on Annex 2)	Referred to as Drivers' Barracks. Many trucks in the barracks area.		
			3. Barracks (large brick building)	Several kilometers SE of Drivers' Bar- racks, on SW side of same road, north of the military airfield (see reference No 3 on An- nex 2)	AAA unit. Ten canvas-covered AA guns were emplace- d on a long, partly wooded hill about 1 km SW of the bar- racks. Tents were beside the emplace- ments.		
	1946 to April 1949	25X1X [redacted]	1. Barracks (two four-story brick buildings; two wooden gar- ages, old instal- lation)	About 10 km SSE of the city, at northern en- trance. Village of Nishne Isetski, on wes- tern side of road (see reference No 4 on Annex 2)	a. T34 and lighter tanks, mainly in garages. b. Two 172-mm guns, field howitzers, light mortars and light and heavy AA guns were ob- served in the area of the barracks		

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Sverdlovsk (cont'd)					Troops wearing blue caps with red bands and red epaulets bearing the number 437 were observed at the guns (The same troops were also seen in the Khimuralsk plant)	
			2. Tank repair shop (old, 120x80 meter brick building)	East of Nizhne Isetski plant (see reference No 5 on Annex 2)	Repair of tanks coming from the above-mentioned barracks. The shop was operated by about 200 troops. Each tank coming in for repair was accompanied by its driver and gunner. Tanks of the following types were repaired: T34 (with a 76.2-mm gun, without muzzle brake) T70 (designation on brass nomenclature plate on cylinder-head cover, with a 47-mm gun, without muzzle brake, and a light machine gun) JS (with a 122-mm gun, with muzzle brake, two machine guns and an AA machine gun on the turret; only two JS tanks seen). The JS tanks differed from JS tanks observed in 1944 in the following features : a. Front armor reinforced by a 60-mm armor plate welded on with 2-mm interspace, thus bringing the front armor up to 160 mm. (This work was done in the repair shop) b. Hatch, 50x50 cm, in the center of the bottom of the hull. (Observed for the first time)	
			3. Tank training area	NE of tank repair shop		

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Sverdlovsk
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Daily drivers' training with 20 to 25 tanks from the barracks (mostly T-34 tanks, two JSs and some T34s and T43s).

About 30 tanks were observed almost daily coming from Sverdlovsk on the road to Kamenak (56°25' N/61°42' E). Horse-drawn and motorized artillery were repeatedly observed on the same road.

1946 to
March 1949

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Barracks (two
brick buildings)

About 10 km SSE of city, at northern entrance to Nishno Isetki, on western side of road (see reference No 4 on Annex 2)

Artillery or AAA unit (barracks was west of the Ural-Khimmash plant)

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observed a barracks, occupied by a tank unit at the place mentioned in May 1947. There were two large, light yellow three-story brick buildings with slanting roofs and garages. 24 SP guns were counted in the barracks area.

1947 to
March
1949

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Ordnance depot (three-story ad- ministration building, five 120x30x12- meter storage buildings with basements, two of wood, wire fence, railroad spurs)

Referred to as Central Storage De- pot for light in- fantry weapons (Sklad), stored pistols, rifles (of German, US, Czech and Soviet make), maga- zine-fed rifles, light machine guns (of US and Soviet make), submachines guns, hand grenades, mortars, gas masks, gas protective clothing

Three large brick storage buildings, stocked with in- dustrial products of various kinds were in the same area.

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Sverdlovsk (cont'd)	1940 to March 1949	25X1X		1. Tank park (near a prominent water tower)	6 to 8 km north of main railroad sta- tion, in a woods west of road to Nishni Tagil (57°55' N/39°30' E) (see reference No 7 on Annex 2)	About 100 armored vehicles, mostly SP confirmed that a tank guns (with chassis park with many tanks resembling those of was located there in T34 tanks, guns mount mid-1948. ed somewhat off cen- ter, without muzzle brake), parked there. No troop quarters seen. Soviet soldiers referred to the tank park as Tanku Polka.
				2. Barracks (se- veral brick build- ings)	SE sector of city, about 800 meters east of Isayev River, north of Ulitsa Dekabristov (see reference No 8 on Annex 2)	Infantry troops seen drilling in the bar- racks area constructed in the north- ern suburb of Yekaterin- burg Poselok up to August 1949. Troops with crossed- pickaxe and spade insignia were doing the construction work. There was a railroad spur.
				3. Military quar- ters (Katharinburg Monastery)	West of the edge of Ulit- sa Dekabristov (see re- ference No 9 on Annex 2)	Ten radio trucks seen leaving. Large charging units mounted on trucks were observed. The unit was referred to as signal unit.

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Sverdlovsk			4. Military quarters (large brick building)	Northern part of Ulitsa Lenina, about 500 meters NE of Opera House (see reference No 11 on Annex 2)	A relief depicting soldiers and tanks and poles flying ensigns observed in front of the buildings	The House of Red Army Officers, a converted church, was nearby.
			5. Military quarters	About 500 meters NW of Opera House (see reference No 10 on Annex 2)	Referred to by Soviet soldiers as Suvorov Cadet School. 16 to 18-year old boys seen there.	
			6.		A motorized artillery unit with rocket launchers, heavy mortars and light guns seen preparing for a troop review in the city area.	
			7. Large supply depot (many storage buildings)	Eastern edge of city south of a bakery and a water tower (see reference No 12 on Annex 2)	Arktis Snap, supply depot for naval equipment required in Arctic regions. Extraching tools, metal ingots, soap, cog wheels, paper bales, acids, insulators, transformers, valves and horse shoes stored in the buildings. Outgoing shipments to Murmansk, Arkhangelsk and the Crimean Peninsula (items were crated negligently).	

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Sverdlovsk (cont'd)	October to November 1948	25X1X [redacted]	Barracks (four three-story brick buildings, one headquarters build- ing, four 60x20- meter garages)	Ng edge of city, one northern side of Bere- zovski Trakt, about 2km west of Ozero Shartash (see reference No 13 on Annex 2)	Unit in strength of one battalion T34 tanks wear- ing black caps and black equi- pment observed. A junk yard with about 20 old tanks was oppo- site the barracks	[redacted] observed a large barracks and a cantonment occu- pied by about 1,000 troops at the place men- tioned in December 1947. About 50 tanks were parked under trees in the area opposite the barracks
1945 to September 1948		25X1X	1. Barracks (three three-story brick buildings)	Katharinburg Monas- tery, outside the western end of Ulitsa Dekabristov (see re- ference No 9 on Annex 2)	Unit estimated at one regiment	25X1X [redacted] confirmed that a cadet school was in the Katharinburg Monastery in early 1948. Soviet sol- diers said that the military district headquarters was in Sverdlovsk in early 1948
Pysma (56° 55' N/ 60° 37' E)	May to Sep- tember 1948		2. Barracks* (several three- story brick build- ings)	SE sector of city, about 800 meters east of Isetye River, on northern side of Ulitsa Dekabristov (see re- ference No 8 on Annex 2)	Officer candidate school with about 500 trainees. Another military school with several brick buildings, was near Ulitsa Lendina	25X1X [redacted] confirmed that a barracks occupied by a tank unit was there in mid-

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Rwanda
(56°45' N/
59°45' E)1945 to
November
1948

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buildings, a 40x
15-m shed, motor
vehicle parking lot
under trees)

Barracks (brick
buildings, on a
1.5x1-km area)

East of town on
eastern side of
railroad line
leading SE

of barracks.
Troops practiced
smoke screening
1948. Opposite the
barracks was a parking
lot for T34 tanks and SP
guns, including a heavy
SP gun of 150 to 170-mm
caliber.

Two large, four-
story angular
buildings, one
small brick
building at the
gate and two
two-story brick
buildings were
completed in October 1948.
Two deep excavations in
the center of the construc-
tion site had been dug for
mess buildings with heat-
ing plant, according to
Soviet laborers. About
30 building sites were
staked off on the other
three sides of the area.
The barracks was scheduled
to be completed in 1950.

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Occupied to capacity by
a tank unit with T34
and JS tanks
observed a tank unit leav-

ing Nizhni Tagil on prac-
tice marches up to June

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Soviet guards said the
tanks were being tested.

Nizhni Tagil
(57°55' N/
59°30' E)1945 to Sep-
tember 1948

Barracks

Western edge of city
near a railroad line

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Nizhni Tagil (cont'd)	1943 to May 1949	25X1X [redacted]	Barracks (three-story, 80-meter brick building along the street and a similar building forming a rectangle with the first building)	Northern sector city, about 500 meters west of a bakery	Unit of very young soldiers wearing black epaulets with tank insignia
Izhevsk (56°52' N/ 53°07' E)	1945 to mid-1948		Military quarters	Unidentified	Officer candidate school (cadet school), with about 500 17 to 18-year old trainees, observed in formation for a military ceremony.
Phosphority (59°37' N/ 52°20' E)	1947 to February 1949		Military quarters (30 to 40 cantonment buildings)	East of railroad station	Penal unit of about 1,000 men. Each cantonment building occupied by 30 to 40 troops, which were observed on
	1945 to January 1948	25X1X [redacted]	1. Wood camp (cantonment buildings, headquarters building, kitchen, two store-houses, two stables and two ammunition storages, in an unfenced 500x300-meters area)	Near railroad station	A mounted infantry battalion of paroled military prisoners, military prisoners, estimated at 1,500 (former Soviet POWs in Austria), arrived in May 1947. The troops lived in tents until completion of the cantonment buildings in October 1947.

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2. Wood camp (about 16 km east of the wood camp)
(five cantonment buildings, one headquarters building, three officers billets, two store houses, bakery, ammunition storage house and hospital building, in a 200x300-meters area surrounded by a board fence)

Another battalion of paroled military prisoners (former Soviet PWs in Austria) arrived in the summer of 1947. They were still living in tents in December 1947. The two cantonments were connected by a corrugated road. Soviet soldiers said that political prisoners would later be quartered in the cantonments.

confirmed that a cantonment of three officers' billets and six EM quarters was under construction in the area about 20 km east of Phosphority in January 1948. An architect said that a Soviet unit of paroled prisoners would be quartered there.

Molptov
(58°01' N/
56°15' E)

1945 to
March
1949

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1. Barracks (four-story, white-painted 50-meter brick building)

NY end of main street leading to ferry crossing, at the corner of Lenina Street

Generally referred to as Naval Barracks.

2. Barracks SE sector of city

Referred to as Guard Barracks.
Several storage buildings, called Ordnance Depots I and II were nearby

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Molotov
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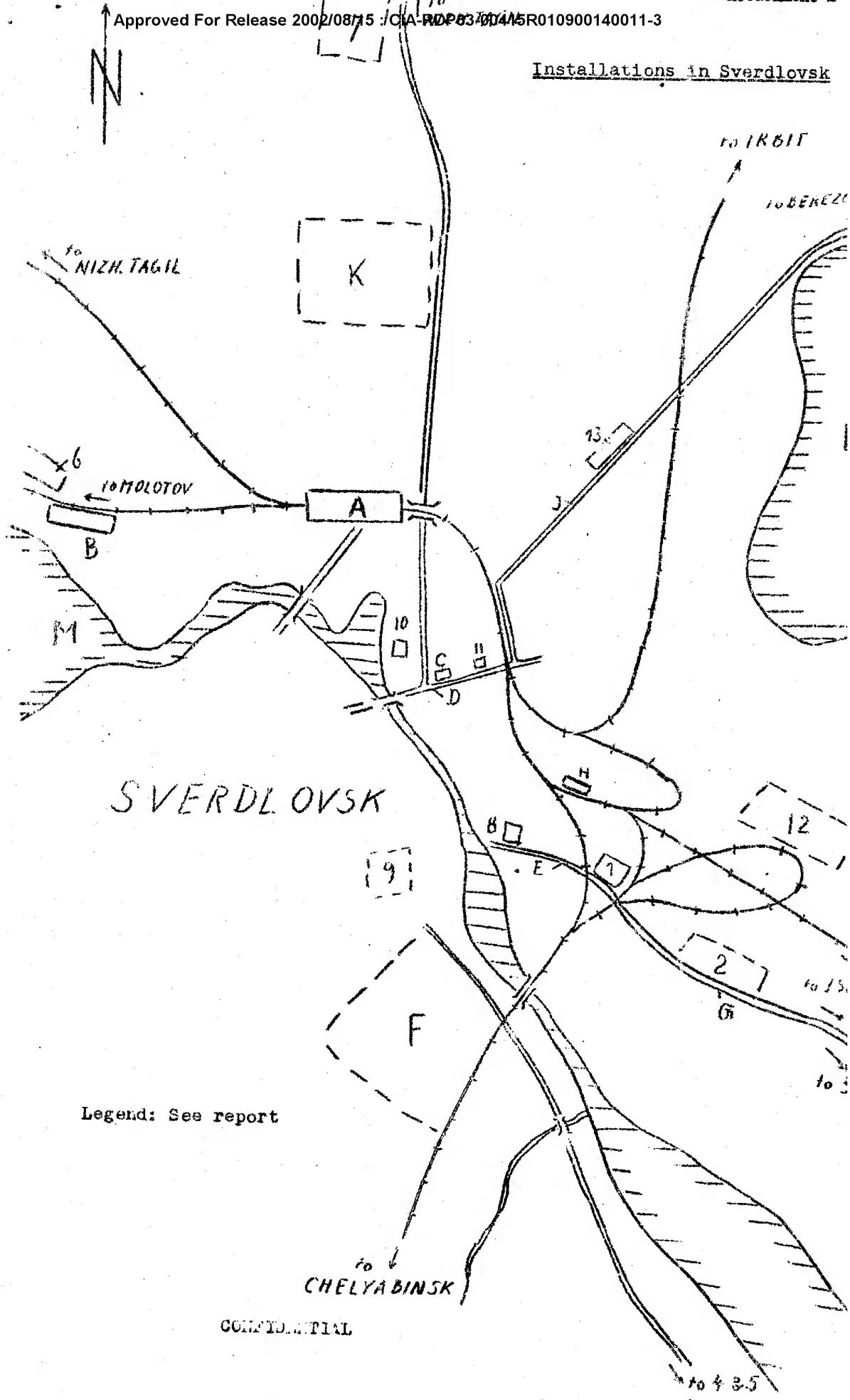
3. Storage depot About 3 km NE of
(seven or eight City, on eastern
150x50-meter wooden bank of Yama
warehouses, board River
fence, watch towers)

No information on stocks.

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Installations in Sverdlovsk



Legend: See report

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Attachment 2

Legend to Annex 2

- 1 Barracks
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- 3 barracks near Istock
- 4 Barracks at Nizhni Isetski
- 5 Tank repair shop at Nizhni Isetski
- 6 Ordnance depot
- 7 Tank park
- 8 Barracks
- 9 Barracks (Yekaterinburg Monastery)
- 10 Cadet training school (?)
- 11 Military quarters
- 12 Arktis Snap supply depot
- 13 Barracks
- A Main railroad station
- B Marshaling yard
- C Opera House
- D Ulitsa Lenina
- E Ulitsa Dekabristov
- F Commercial airfield
- G Sibirski Trakt
- H Shartash railroad station
- I Ulitsa Berezovski Trakt
- K Uralmash Zavod
- L Ozero Shartash (lake)
- M Verkhne Isetski Prud

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